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Buy Christmas Seals

The first part of December will be a busy one for Joshua politicians. Two elections in local organizations are scheduled. Already the virtues—or lack of same—of the announced candidates are being discussed by interested members. A tentative slate has been announced for the Community Association and more nominations are expected tonight. The nominating committee of the Chamber of Commerce met last Sunday and the ticket for that group will be announced next week. As in national politics you can't overlook the dark horses, and there may be lots of them who are getting secret workouts for the main event. Anyhow, it's all good, clean fun; and who has more fun than people?

The Journal is now equipped with a set of maps showing the supervisorial and school districts of San Bernardino County and the judicial townships. Anyone seeking information relative to such matters is welcome to call at the Journal office and study the maps. Thanks to the swell people in the County Surveyors office we are able to offer this service.

JOSHUA TREE - SUN VALLEY AREA HAS BUSY HOLIDAY

Wilson Named Appliance Agent

Wilson Home Furnishings of Joshua Tree have been selected by Thomas Distributing Co. of Los Angeles as Sales agents for Universal and International Harvester home appliances in this area, it was announced last week. The local firm, established nearly three years ago by Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Wilson, has experienced a gratifying expansion since its inception which reflects the steady growth of this desert region. The list of appliances now handled for the above named manufacturers includes refrigerators, ranges and hot water heaters.

Wilson Home Furnishings this week starts a comprehensive advertising campaign to acquaint readers with the merits of their products. The Journal, because of its wide coverage of desert communities and Southern California, was selected as the advertising medium.

Malia Heads Ambulance Group

The Board of Directors of the Joshua Tree Ambulance Association, Inc., met on the night of Nov. 24th for the purpose of acting on the resignations of John and Myra Coulter from the Board.

James Shearn and Mrs. Robert Garry were elected to fill the unexpired terms respectively on the board.

Due to these resignations, the offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer were left vacant. The Board acting upon this elected M. J. (Mike) Malia, President; Cleta Clark resigned her position as Vice-President and accepted the office of Secretary. K. L. Williams was elected to fill the vacated office of Vice President and James Shearn was elected Treasurer.

Pasadena Man New Bank Officer

The Joshua Monument National Bank of Twentynine Palms through the Board of Directors, announce the appointment of Cecil J. Smith, M.D., as Vice President of the Bank.

Dr. Smith is well-known in Pasadena and Altadena. Although Vice President of the Bank, Dr. Smith will remain in Pasadena and will be an officer representing the Bank and a point of contact among the host of friends who reside in Pasadena, Altadena, and Los Angeles that have property in the greater Morongo Basin. Dr. Smith was one of the original associates in the organization of the bank and has been a great enthusiast for the development of the institution as well as the communities of this basin. Pasadena is now represented with an officer and a director of the Joshua Monument National Bank of Twentynine Palms; Mr. James A. Freeman, director and resident of Pasadena, and Dr. Cecil J. Smith, Vice President, resident of Altadena.

Turkey Ranches Prove Center of Attraction to Many Visitors

Taking advantage of the long holiday weekend hundreds of tourists and sightseers from all over southern California and many other parts of the nation came to the desert for Thanksgiving and the weekend. Many out of state license plates were observed on the cars that plied the 29 Palms Highway. Except for a stiff breeze on Friday the weather was ideal and provided a welcome relief from the fog of the coastal areas.

Rancho Sun Valley and the flocks of broad breasted bronze turkeys attracted a major share of the visitors. Sunday, especially, was a busy day for the coming turkey capital of the state. In Joshua Tree many family gatherings observed the Thanksgiving day around groaning tables filled with the makings of the traditional feast. Restaurants and cafes here and all along the Highway reported a better than average business from out-of-towners. Service stations also came in for their share of the visitors trade. The weekend saw many carloads of guests cared for at local courts and motels.

During the past week there was considerable activity by newcomers at Rancho Sun Valley. New water connections were installed at ranches recently purchased by Weygold, Stepp, King, Briggs and Arditto. The slab for the feed storage house on the Weygold ranch was poured last week. On Saturday night the Charles Kings of Westwood drove in about midnight and entertained around a typical desert campfire preparatory to Sundays activity in laying out brooder pens and building sites. During the early part of the week Bob Kroes and Abel Terrazas were swamped with local orders for Thanksgiving birds many of which were retailed through Krumckes meat department at the Trading Post.

On the weekend several Palm Springs visitors were seen in conference with representatives of the Bunker-Summers interests getting information relative to turkey ranching prospects.

Many Joshuans, it was reported, are considering starting turkey flocks early next year. Bob Kroes, pioneer grower, states that orders for many thousands of eggs for hatching have been ordered thru the Southern California Turkey Growers Association. Because of the extremely favorable growing conditions in this area feed companies, he stated, are eager to make favorable arrangements with local growers. It is estimated that

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New Theatre Proves Popular

Sunland Theatre, Joshua Tree's newest amusement enterprise, has been drawing good audiences, according to L. F. Adams, owner and manager. Opening last Tuesday night the theatre has given two shows nightly with matinees on Saturday and Sunday. Adams announces that the second complete show will start at 8:30 p.m. The first performance starts at 7 p.m.

By special arrangement with the management, states Adams, the Sunland Theatre will be available to community organizations for meetings, special showings of films and other affairs. The equipment, suitable for stereopticon as well as film exhibiting, will be available for these meetings.

Stubbs Shoe Shop Features Sandabs

First dealer in this area to handle the now famous "Sandabs" is Stubbs Shoe Shop at the Plaza in 29 Palms. The new sensational footwear designed by Laurel Martin, wife of Morongo artist Kirk Martin, is now being manufactured by Morrison Bros. of Monrovia.

Sandabs have caught the fancy of movie stars and other notables and have been featured in articles in leading magazines. Their unique design is a result of Mrs. Martins desire to have comfortable and attractive footgear especially suited for the desert. Now in volume production Sandabs will sell at popular prices.

Contractors Pass Many Resolutions

With the celebration of its 25th year of service to the building industry and the public, the Building Contractors Association of California wound up its 25th Anniversary Congress and Builders Conference at the Elks Temple in Los Angeles last week with a whirl of hard work and a series of resolutions designed to improve building conditions and practices and increase the effectiveness of the service of the association, according to Edward M. Sills, Executive Vice President of the B.C.A.

Among the resolutions passed by the Congress during the two-day session were demands for the elimination of unnecessary building codes and zoning restrictions, strengthening of the State Contractors License Board, elimination of force account work in federal, state and county public works and increase of FHA and VA interest rates to the limits allowed in the Housing Act of 1948.

Other resolutions recommended that the apprentice program be expanded and supported by the membership of the association; local and regional planning be participated in by members of the association; the Community Redevelopment Act be used without benefit of federal subsidies to obtain blighted areas through the State right of eminent domain for clearing and improvement; and further research and development of the low-cost housing field.

During the Builders Conference, the delegates, alternates and guests at the meeting heard four panels of experts discuss How to Sell Your Houses, How to Build Low-Cost Housing, Mortgage Finance and Building Codes and Zoning Ordinances.

One of the policies established for the coming year, according to Sills, will be the expansion and streamlining of the association program of arbitrating and investigating veterans housing complaints in conjunction with the office of the United States Attorney. "This working agreement has turned out to be completely successful," Sills said, "and we believe it to be both in our interests and the public's interest to continue it as long as there remains any ground for dissatisfaction with any home built in this part of the State."

George Streit, Pomona builder, was elected to lead the 2,000 members of the Statewide association for the coming year. Marshall Tilden of Riverside, remains as First Vice President; C. J. Wm. Millerburg, Sherman Oaks builder, moved up to Second Vice President; and B. F. Jenkins, San Diego, took over as Secretary.

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The Personal Touch

Mr. and Mrs. George Strebe, owners of the famous Doll House in Palm Springs, were Joshua and Sun Valley visitors last Monday and Wednesday. They flew to K Field in their Stinson and were met by their good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Summers. The Strebes are impressed with the advantages of this desert area.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Manzer and daughter, Carol enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Laughlin. The Manzers formerly lived in Joshua Tree and now reside in Bakersfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Aldridge spent Thanksgiving Day at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Whitmore in Walnut Park.

For the holiday feast Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Wilds journeyed to Yucaipa where they dined with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eicher.

Mr. and Mrs. William Longshaw of Bridgeport, Ohio, arrived last Friday to spend the winter in Joshua Tree. They will be guests of the Herb Longshaws.

Visiting the Melvin Bryants last Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Don Bryant of Council Bluffs, Iowa and Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Bryant of Los Angeles. Council Bluffs is the former home of the Bryants and many other Joshuans.

Mrs. Virginia Herling and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchell were guests for Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd DeLong in Yucaipa.

At the Joseph Wagners for the holiday were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Evans of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillard "Sam" Lafferty and sons are now established in their new home three miles west of Joshua Tree. The Laffertys spent Thanksgiving day in the city of Los Angeles.

Miss Lou Housley of Los Angeles entertained at her Joshua Tree cottage on Thanksgiving Mrs. Kennie Schmidt and son, Eugene and daughter, MaryLou, and William Housley of Los Angeles, Mrs. Viola Steele and John Housley of Yucca Valley, and Mrs. Mary Burson of the Journal staff. Mary Lou and the hostess spent the balance of the week here.

Dinner guests at the Gus Ojalas on Thanksgiving were Mrs. Ojalas sister, Mrs. Hattie Bamber and granddaughter Susan of Hollywood, Miss Jessie Eaton of Bellflower, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rees and Janet Olwell and Mert Martinsen of Yucca Mesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moninger and family of Pioneertown and Steve Moninger of Joshua Tree were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Graham in Ojai. Mrs. Fred Moninger is the Grahams' daughter.

Guests at the Gerald McMillens last Thursday and Friday were his mother, Mrs. Lola McMillen, his sister and her husband, the Frank Grattans of Los Angeles. Joining them for Thanksgiving dinner were Mrs. Helen Gerhard and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larsen.

Visiting William G. Bunker at the Clubhouse for the weekend was Robert McDowell of Duluth, Minn. The men were brother officers on the S.S. Alamo Victory.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Willey were guests of the James Whitehorns for Thanksgiving dinner in Palm Springs. They dined at The Stables, now operated by Jimmie Davis, former governor of Louisiana.

Constance, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arch, was christened on Sunday afternoon at the Catholic Church in 29 Palms.

Weekend guests at Golden Tree Health Lodge were Ernest Daniels and family of Los Angeles, Jack L. Brown and daughter of Downey and M. W. Turner and family of Anaheim.

Mrs. Louis Cantz returned to her home last Saturday after a week at Ince Memorial Hospital in 29 Palms.

John Robb and son, Jack were visitors last Friday and Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wheeler. Mrs. Wheeler will celebrate her birthday anniversary this Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Arditto and small daughter became Joshua Tree residents early this week. They will live in the Conner apartments on Sunburst Circle. The Ardittos, formerly of Los Angeles, plan to raise turkeys at Sun Valley next season.

Postoffice Asks Patrons To Send Mail Early

Postmaster Grace Aldridge is preparing for a heavy Christmas season at the Joshua Tree post office. She asks that patrons mail their packages and cards as early as possible in order to be sure of delivery at destination in plenty of time for holiday celebrations. Postmaster Aldridge has arranged for her assistant, Evelyn McMillen to be on duty an extra two hours daily through the month of December in order to expedite the Christmas service to local patrons.

Park Head, Photog, Speak At Desert Museum

On Monday Superintendent Frank Givens and Harlow Jones journeyed to Palm Springs where they were guest speakers at the Desert Museum. Supt. Givens gave a brief description of the Monument, with emphasis on the interesting things to see and encouraged visitors to Palm Springs to visit this part of the desert. Mr. Jones main subject was desert photography showing color movies of flowers and sheep that were photographed in the Monument. He also displayed his new sound camera and showed sound movies of the Pioneer Days parade.

Pinto Basin Road Improved

The National Park Service road crew is improving the rocky section of road through the Cholla Cactus Gardens in Pinto Basin. The rocky section has been graded and the worst part is being topped with decomposed granite road material. The road in general is in very good condition but travelers are cautioned to stay on the road and not drive out into the sand.

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Yucca Valley Notes

By DOROTHY STEPHENSON

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tom Humphreville for a few days is the family of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawrence and two children of Los Angeles.

The Villas of Hollywood are building a cottage on 29 Palms Hiway across from Jack Barretts. The members of the Villa family are all accomplished musicians and plan to give Yucca Valley a sample of their artistry soon.

Guests of Miss Candy Ammon the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sailer of Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pollard of Pollard Rancho spent Thanksgiving at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Iler in Los Angeles.

Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lopez were their daughter and son-in-law of Gardena.

Mr and Mrs. Joe Ammon had as their guests their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morgan and daughter Sherry of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Counselman and children of Los Angeles were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Burns.

Roy Dobson, writer and former resident of this valley, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martel Ferris. Roy is studying Chinese customs at the University of Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sampson of Rancho Sampsonia entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rich of Redlands, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Lynicheid of Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kahn of Redlands and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stephenson of Yucca Heights for Thanksgiving dinner.

Jimmy Hoffman of the Hiway Garage spent last week in Beaumont.

F. E. Griswold left Stockers Ranch to spend the winter at his home in North Hollywood last week.

The Yucca Valley PTA will hold a bazaar and carnival on Saturday, December 4th, in the Community Clubhouse. The whole day will be devoted to games, an exhibition and sale of fancy work and novelties, and serving of refreshments. Mrs. Dorothy Tunstall will accept subscriptions to California Parent-Teacher magazine and the National Parent-Teacher at the candy booth. Everyone is welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wiltke spent Thanksgiving with their sons on the coast.

W. E. Butler, realtor and notary public of Yucca Valley, was in Joshua Tree Wednesday on business. He subscribed to the Journal also.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Henning were overnight visitors in Yucca Valley, arriving Tuesday and returning Wednesday. They took their trailer to their new location at La Crescenta.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeze, former residents and still property owners here, are visiting their daughter and family and old friends in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They reported a pelasant trip overland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pardon spent Monday evening at the Tomkin residence returning Tuesday A.M. The Pardons live three miles east of Yucca on the 29 Palms Hiway.

Ella C. Larson and W. E. Butler of 15 North Elk Trail were in Pasadena, their former home city, last weekend. They attended the First 4-Square Church services Sunday evening and on Monday night enjoyed the Modern Woodmans Thanksgiving dinner and program which followed.

Miss Pat Palmer of Lido Isle was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Hansen of Yucca Valley. Miss Palmer is a friend of long standing of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bouchey. She is associated with the Laguna Beach Community Playhouse.

Kenneth Wilting of Whispering Wells surprised his many friends by getting married last Saturday in Arizona. His bride is the former Ethel Paula Lester of Twentynine Palms.

Brokers, Contractors Discuss FHA Loans With Banker

Provisions of FHA loans for building, alterations and additions were explained last Monday night by Joseph Wasserburger, executive vice president of the Joshua Monument National Bank, at a meeting in the Sunland Theatre. More than thirty real estate brokers, contractors and building supply dealers from Morongo and Yucca Valley and Joshua Tree attended.

Wasserburger's wide knowledge of FHA procedure was evident in his answers to the many questions asked. He emphasized the fact that dealing with the Federal Government requires strict compliance with the provisions of FHA rules. The banker stated that good building practices and a better class of dwellings will add to the stability of this region's growth and development.

Rabies Under Control In County

San Bernardino County's eight months old rabies control program is an unqualified success, says W. C. Bateman, D.V.M., County Live Stock Inspector. His report as published in the County Health Dept. bulletin follows.

"On December 29, 1947, the Board of Supervisors passed the ordinance requiring that all dogs within the unincorporated area of San Bernardino County be vaccinated against rabies and licensed.

"The cities of Chino, and Redlands where a vaccination ordinance had been in effect several months previously, had already found this a successful program. Since December 1947, Colton, Ontario, Upland, Barstow, and Needles have passed vaccination ordinances, thus protecting all areas of our county.

"San Bernardino County had an epidemic of animal rabies that started in November of 1947. After beginning the county-wide vaccination program the incidence of animal rabies markedly decreased. Since April we have had only one case.

"The success of this program is largely a result of the fine cooperation and participation of the practicing veterinarians in our county. Their cooperation has made it possible for us to take the program to the people of San Bernardino County, instead of asking the people to come to us. Seventy-seven clinics were held in the various areas of the county at which 12,500 dogs were vaccinated. Practicing veterinarians have been deputized live stock inspectors, and can issue a dog license at the time of vaccination, making it a one-stop procedure.

"An important phase of the rabies control program is the picking up of stray dogs which often are responsible for the spread of this disease. Two rabies control officers are responsible for this program. At the present we have one dog collection truck. Later we will have two to service the county.

"The cooperation received from schools, newspapers and radio stations in interpreting the program to communities was wonderful, and we wish to express our appreciation to these organizations.

"The vaccination license program has proved its worth in San Bernardino County."

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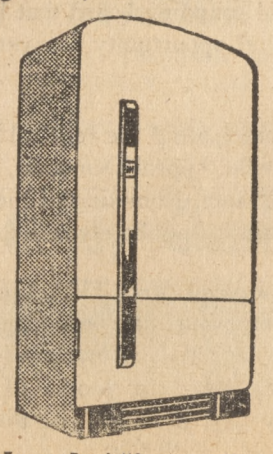

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CALIFORNIA PAYS FOR TENNESSEE POWER

For the umptieth time, the perennial question of public vs. private operation of water, gas, electric and other utilities will bloom again when Congress reconvenes. Some Congressmen, thumping for government control, frankly regard the issue as a political sounding board that has no peer. It's provided them with oratorical opportunity for years—even when oratory collided with facts.

Anticipating the renewal of this marathon in a few weeks, the Marysville Appeal-Democrat, in a recent issue, undertakes to do a little advance debunking of the arguments that are sure to be trotted out again by public ownership advocates.

The celebrated TVA bookkeeping system, the Appeal-Democrat points out, has been exposed as a conglomeration of figures which purport to show how "cheap" TVA power is, but conceal the fact that "the people of California and Maine and Texas" actually pay, in taxes, for the supposed benefits to the people of Tennssee.

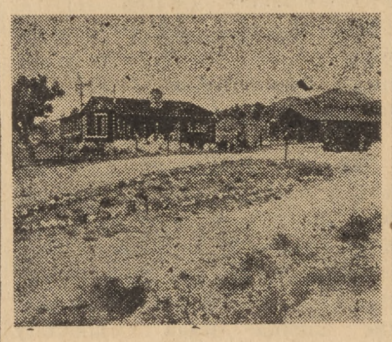
Rate reductions under TVA, the newspaper stresses, lose their significance when compared with Government statistics proving private utilities, during the past 10 years, have reduced rates 30 per cent—while paying heavy taxes into, instead of draining, the public treasury.

The Appeal-Democrat likens confiscation of private utilities to "the seizure of the corner butcher shop by people who covet the profits of the butcher."

That's an apt analogy—and one which not only the corner butcher, but the baker and the candlestick maker should keep in mind when the battle flags fly again in Congress over public ownership of any private enterprise.

Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON



THE JOSHUAS

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

OUR PLANS OFT GO ASTRAY

The Grosses, Mary and Charles, are my houseguests while building their new home near-by. Mary has been especially busy running errands, and I suggested that I help her by preparing the roast for dinner one evening. She has never used a pressure-cooker, so by praising its many merits, I persuaded her to let me show her how it worked.

I timed the meat to the minute. Mentally I could see just how brown and tender it would look when she put it on the platter! I turned off the gas and went for a load of rocks, for I still had a little time to spare before my own appointment at four o'clock. It was such a good feeling,—that of being helpful, as well as proving the virtues of a cooker!

Before I left the cabin I decided to take a look at the roast; Mary would be pleased to find it already for the table when she got back. Eagely I took off the lid! But gosh! Oh me! I couldn't believe my eyes! That roast had shrunk,—and shrunk,—and shrunk! Now the meat was first-class and the cooker is all right, so, somehow, the fault was mine.

But now my spare time was up. Hurriedly I wrote Mary a note and placed it on the lid of the kettle. In fact I wrote her quite a long note because I wanted her to be somewhat prepared for the shock. Then I scurried along, grateful to be away when she discovered the condition of that roast! I think it was Robert Burns who wrote, "The best laid plans of mice and men oft go astray, and leave us naught but grief and pain for promised joy!"

Doin's 'round the Diggin's

TRAIL GUARDS

Circling, searching buzzards o'er my weary trail
Cause me keen alertness lest my canteen fail
Keeps me ever sober 'bout the tragic miles ahead
Where the bones of men and burros . . .
Serve as warning from the dead.

I never tire of watching, how they glide and wheel
There's a sort of satisfaction . . .
Mingled with the creepy feel,
Knowing sentinels such as they . . .
Guard my roving, wandering way,
Ready with Life's tragic roulette wheel.

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Joshua Tree - Sun Valley Area Has Busy Holiday

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close to 50,000 turkeys will be grown in the Sun Valley area next season. In other areas, too, turkeys and chickens are becoming a major desert crop. Better marketing methods are providing a year round outlet for the popular broad breasted birds.

Results of the increased activity are being felt in other lines of business. Building supply dealers report many deliveries of lumber, fencing, pipe and building blocks to the ranches now under construction or soon to be started. Next week at least five more water connections are scheduled at Sun Valley ranches.

Contractors Pass Many Resolutions

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Harry Hanson, Los Angeles contractor, retains his post as Treasurer and Edward M. Sills continues as Executive Vice President.

Vern R. Huck, outgoing President for 1948, introduced the new officers to the association delegates and guests at the Grand Banquet which ended the gathering on Saturday night.

HAIR-BREADTH HARRY

IF I AM TO SEE KANTSITSKI AND TELL HIM MY PLAN TO WED HIS STEP-DAUGHTER AND SPLIT HER WEALTH WITH HIM, I MUST FIRST ELUDE HIS DOGS!
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Joshua Tree School Notes

On Tuesday before Thanksgiving Mrs. Braham read the class a Thanksgiving story, named "Choosey." The children made it into a little play. The best actors were:

Ma—Dorothy Duval.
Pa—Billy Brown.
Sally—Judy Adams.
Polly—Sandra Van Tassel.
Zeke—James Lafferty.
Baby—Analee Beard.
"Choosey," the turkey—Damon Wheeler.

The stranger, played by Robert Wright, told of the first Thanksgiving.—Nancy Marble.

On the way to Amboy Ramona Jones' father, Mr. R. S. Jones, found a duck on the lake. It couldn't fly so he took it home. Monday Ramona brought it to school. The children had fun at sharing time seeing it. It would try to fly and couldn't. It would peck everyone, but it didn't hurt.—Annalee Beard.

While playing on the way home from school Tuesday, Wally Beard fell in a cholla cactus. Mr. Harvey Lithgow found Wally and pulled some stickers out. Then Mr. Tom Gidney took Wally home for some more first aid.—Damon Wheeler.

Many of the children are very interested in rock collecting. They have been bringing samples of ore. Ramona Jones brought ore with gold and turquoise in them. Joan Papendick brought some copper ore with copper and platinum in it.—Shirley Hoover.

To help the children understand the true meaning of Thanksgiving, Mrs. H. K. Lee, superintendent of the Sunday School, came to the school Wednesday afternoon. She gave a flannel-graph talk, with a gaily colored turkey as the center of interest. Each feather added to the turkey, as Mrs. Lee talked, represented each of our special blessings.

Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Braham will work together in helping the children prepare a Christmas program, to be given the evening of December 17, which will be just before the Christmas vacation. The P.T.A. and Women's Club are reported to be cooperating as before, in giving the children a treat after the program. Please save the date.

Mrs. L. D. Wiser made a surprise visit to school Wednesday to tell the older boys and girls they are now members of her committee to make decorations for the Joshua Trees in town. More of this later!

What Kind of Christmas Tree

When you visit a dealer to buy your Christmas tree, many of you may want to know what kind you're getting. L. J. Hutchinson, Assistant Farm Adviser, Riverside County, says most of the trees you see being used as Christmas trees in California are the firs.

Many red fir trees are brought from the high mountain country to be sold as Christmas trees. These are called "silver-tip" trees because of the silvery grey bark and bluish cast to the sharply upturned needles. They hold up well under the weight of decorations because the branches are stiff and short.

The white fir trees come from a lower Sierra timber belt and are more graceful than the silver-tips. Some people consider them the most beautiful Christmas trees of all.

From the north coast country we get the soft, dark green Douglas firs which outnumber all other species used for Christmas in the West. They grow well on thousands of acres of cut-over land in Oregon, Washington, and northern California, and many carloads are used in California.

Several other conifers are used as Christmas trees. Sugar pine, Monterey pine, Knobcone pine and Lodgepole pine are all graceful trees . . . and sometimes a young redwood or Monterey cypress is used.

Next week we shall discuss the subject of having a "safe" Christmas tree.

Shrink Woolen Material Before Cutting

Many homemakers are busy at this time of the year making wool dresses, coats, and suits for themselves and their families. Assistant Home Demonstration Agent Emily M. Parker, advises that better results will be obtained if the woolen material is shrunk before starting on a garment.

She recommends the following procedure for shrinking woolen material at home:

Straighten the material if necessary by pulling a thread and cutting on the grain line. Dip a sheet in warm water and wring it as dry as possible. Lay the folded material on the wet sheet, with the center crease lenghtwise. Fold the edges of the sheet over the cloth. Beginning at the end, fold lightly and continue folding the entire length. Cover with paper or a turkish towel for two hours. Remove the material from the sheet and lay it on a flat surface to dry. This flat surface may be a table, or even the floor covered with a sheet or a piece of oilcloth. Smooth the material so that it will dry straight with the grain, ends and sides forming right angles.

Material shrunk in this way will not require pressing before cutting.

For those who are trying their first tailoring of woolen garments, there is a new bulletin published by the University of California College of Agriculture which explains and illustrates each step. It is entitled "Making a Coat" and is available without charge at the local Agricultural Extension Service office, Room 7, Post Office Building, Riverside, Calif.

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Candy Classics

By BETTY BARCLAY

It may be old fashioned for teen agers to entertain the crowd by making candy, but it still is lots of fun! Whether you let your friends help you in the actual making or just the eating of these wonderful homemade candies, you will want to try these recipes. The dark corn syrup keeps the fudge from crystallizing and adds flavor and a beautiful sheen to the butterscotch.

Chocolate Fudge

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 cups sugar
2 tablespoons Karo Syrup, Red or Blue Label
2 squares unsweetened chocolate
¾ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup walnuts, coarsely chopped

Place all ingredients except vanilla and nuts in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture boils. Continue cooking, stirring occasionally to soft ball stage (238° F.) or until a small amount of mixture forms a soft ball when tested in cold water. Remove from heat. Add vanilla. Cool to lukewarm (110° F.). Then beat until fudge begins to thicken and loses its gloss. Fold in nuts. Quickly spread into greased 8-inch square pan. When cold cut in squares. Makes 25 squares (2 pounds). Omit nuts if desired.

Butterscotch Candy

2 cups sugar
⅔ cup Karo Syrup, Blue Label
¼ cup water
¼ cup light cream
¼ cup butter or margarine

Place all ingredients except butter or margarine in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, to hard ball stage (260° F.) or until a small amount of mixture forms a hard ball when tested in cold water. Add butter and continue cooking, stirring constantly, to hard crack stage (288° F.) or until a small amount of mixture separates into brittle threads when tested in cold water. Pour into greased 8-inch square pan. When cool and almost set, cut into squares. When cold break apart. Makes 1¼ pounds or 60 pieces.

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Morongo Valley Notes

By RUTH HALE

All of the residents of Morongo were saddened on Thanksgiving Day, when they learned that Frank Sabathe had suffered a stroke. Mrs. Cyril Millington and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones took him to the hospital in Palm Springs. The last word from him was that he was just about holding his own.

Bruce Hamilton is back in the valley after a stay in the Palm Springs hospital, where he was treated for pneumonia.

Mrs. George Selby, her children and Mrs. Jim Selby were weekend guests at the Al Borg Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hector MacKenzie entertained Mrs. MacKenzie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers of Los Angeles over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Eddie Lanning made quite a find one early morning as she drove her husband, Johnnie to his work, a young bobcat! Someone had struck it with a car and when she picked it up, the body was still warm. She has skinned it and is tanning the hide. Later that same day, Jimmie Freeman killed another bobcat in the vicinity of the Lodge.

The Morongo Valley Woman's Club scored a hit last night when they sponsored another dance. There was a very good crowd there and everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. Mrs. Ater played the piano for the squares and Bill Smith made a hit with his "calling." A record player hooked up to a loud speaker (thanks to Gene Cubit) furnished rousing music for the lively dances as well as nice waltzes for those who didn't care to be quite so strenuous. Mrs. Cyril Millington was in charge of refreshments and Mrs. Paul Thompson was in charge of arrangements. A vote of thanks is in order to this able committee.

December the 3rd is the date set for a Bingo Party to be held in the Community Building! It is to raise funds for equipment for the newly organized Boy's Baseball team. Mr. Siechrist, the manager hopes there will be a record crowd. For those who do not care to play Bingo, there will be other tables for cards. An added attraction will be a Dutch Auction, a fine wool blanket for the lucky bidder! Don't forget the date, Friday, December the 3rd, the time eight o'clock. Such a fine project for the boys, let's all be there!

Mrs. Arthur Staniford spent the weekend at her home in Palm Wells Valley. She entertained the Christianson's Bary Lou, her daughter, Chris her son-in-law and two little grandchildren.

The Inn, the Lodge and the eating places of Morongo reported a busy time this weekend. There were many people in the valley just looking around. The real estate men were busy too!

Mrs. Alice Kinsley spent the weekend in Los Angeles. With her were her two grandchildren, Sharon and Bradford Sales.

Health for All

HOME CARE OF THE TUBERCULOUS

A person who learns he has tuberculosis may not be able to get into the sanatorium immediately. While he is waiting at home for arrangements to be completed for him to enter the sanatorium, he must be cared for properly. At the same time, precautions must be taken to protect others from catching the disease.

Tuberculosis is a communicable disease. The germs which cause TB are commonly spread when the persons with active tuberculosis sneeze, cough, or talk and laugh.

The person taking care of the tuberculous patient at home must follow the doctor's instructions carefully. In addition to making the patient as comfortable as possible, this means doing everything to keep others from coming in contact with the tuberculosis germs. Well people should not kiss the patient and use or handle the same articles that he does only with proper precautions.

An important thing to remember is that the patient's sputum must be disposed of properly. The patient should not swallow his sputum; he should spit in paper tissues and place the tissues in a paper bag. The bags of tissues should then be burned.

The patient should have his own dishes and silverware, kept apart from the family tableware. They should be washed after each meal with hot water and soapsuds, rinsed with boiling water and allowed to drain dry.

The patient's laundry, kept apart from the family wash, should be boiled for about ten minutes and placed in the sun to dry.

Others in the family and friends should not visit the patient any more than necessary, and when they do, should keep at least six feet away from him. They should be warned not to touch things that have been near the patient or handled by him.

The person caring for the patient must take extra precautions. She must remember to keep her fingers away from her eyes, nose and mouth when caring for the patient; wash her hands, fingernails, wrists and arms after serving the patient and wear a special gown or apron; kept for the purpose, during her visit.

Following the doctor's instructions to the letter will make the tuberculous patient's wait comfortable and beneficial and at the same time protect others from the spread of the disease.

THESE WOMEN! By d'Alessio

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The board of directors of the San Bernardino County Tuberculosis and Health Association met on Nov. 16th at the Senior High School in San Bernardino. It was a dinner meeting at which Mrs. Earl E. Berry presided. Others present were: Dr. and Mrs. Julius Zelman, Mr. and Mrs. Max Cranmer, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Smith, Dr. W. L. Cover, Mr. and Mrs. Don Goodcell, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Nuckles, Judge and Mrs. Stanley Mussell, Mr. and Mrs. John Pennington, Rev. Wm. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Haese, Mrs. Warren Wass, Mrs. James P. Nelson, Miss Bertha Schwartzwaelder, Mrs. C. Hugo Larson, Miss Winifred Erskine, Miss Janet Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jeffrey, Dr. Jean M. Hoag, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Millar and Mrs. Bertha Lee, Executive Secretary of the association.

Dr. Julius Zelman spoke on the responsibility of the board members in the Tuberculosis Association program. Dr. Zelman tod of the many steps necessary to be taken in order to find every case of active tuberculosis. He stated as tuberculosis is most frequently found in adults all members of each family in our county 15 years of age and over should have a chest X-ray.

San Bernardino County is engaged in one of the most active case-finding programs carried on in the entire state, concluded Dr. Zelman.

Mrs. Jean Millar, Assistant Executive Secretary, explained the mechanics of the Christmas Seal Sale. She paid tribute to the Seal Sale chairmen who are responsible for the success of the seal sale in their various communities. Without their cooperation we could not hope to arrive at our goal of $40,000, stated Mrs. Millar. This amount must be reached in order to carry on the extensive X-ray program planned for the coming year.

Church Corner

by Edythe Fraetis

The weather was lovely, yet we had only twenty in attendance at Sunday School this week.

Wednesday the Bible Study class will meet at the J. B. Phillips home at 7 P.M. with Mrs. Henrietta Pepper leading. Following this will be the annual General Board meeting of the Church.

Dr. David C. Williams, pastor, read a portion of The Sermon on the Mount from the Gospel of St. Matthew. The two ways of life were ably contrasted; the narrow road leading to life eternal, the broad road to destruction.

In the Sermon on the Mount is portrayed the picture of the Kingdom of God in Christ, teaching the things that lead to the Kingdom. It is regarded as the charter describing the type of character of its citizens. All are trying to win this kingdom. Even the criminal deep down in his heart wants to go to Heaven. We want to live, not even think of dying. Eternal life is God's gift to those who seek Him and do His will.

Travellers of the narrow road must make no compromise though they be called narrow minded. Around the bend are new attractions which lead upward. Those travelling the broad and seemingly easy way find struggles and troubles around the bend and are finally destroyed.

The principles here set forth are universal and can be practiced daily, so let us each find the part he is to play in God's plan and travel by faith the Highway that leads to the City of the King.

Church Notes

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Sunday services, 11 a.m.
Community Hall.
Sunday School: Mrs. H. K. Lee, Supt., Community Hall, 9:45 a.m.

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Sunday Mass, 8 - 9 - 10:30 a.m.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS PTA
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By The Old Gobbler

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Let's not be misled by the enormous profits made by the growers this year. As a matter of fact the net profits could be half what they are this year and every grower would make more cash profits than possible in almost any other legitimate business.

California now leads every state in the Union in the production of turkeys and many the carload shipped east. Turkey growers in California are getting rich and riding the road of prosperity in their Cadillac cars or in their own private planes.

It is suggested that the price of turkeys to the consumer be kept as low as possible so that the turkey meat can be sold within a price range comparing favorably with beef, lamb and pork. Now that so many investors are getting started with their own ranches at Rancho Sun Valley let's be satisfied with a profit of around $2.00 per bird and be of help in keeping the cost of living down. THAT'S PLENTY OF PROFIT AND WILL STABILIZE THE PRICES WHILE INSURING SUBSTANTIAL PROFITS YEAR AFTER YEAR.

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